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## Yukon Employment July 2011

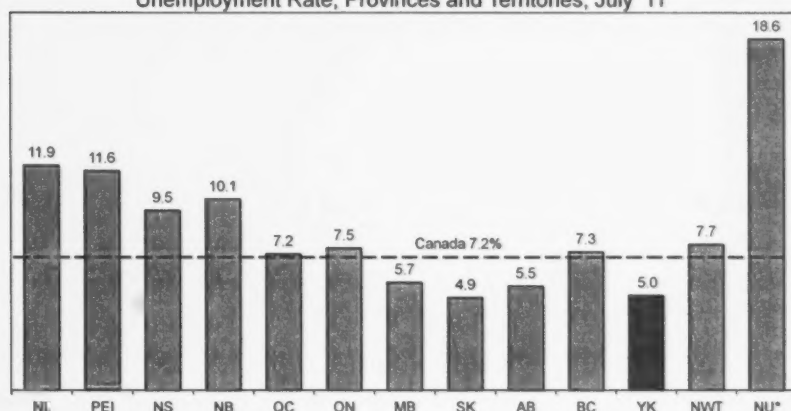
### Highlights:

- Yukon's unemployment rate decreased to 5.0% in July while the national unemployment rate decreased to 7.2%.
- Yukon's labour force contracted slightly to 20,000 from the record high of 20,300 in May.
- Employment in the territory increased in July to 19,000, an increase of 200 compared to June.

### July 2011 Yukon Employment at a Glance

Labour force.....	20,000
Employed.....	19,000
Unemployed .....	1,000
Unemployment Rate .....	5.0%

Unemployment Rate, Provinces and Territories, July '11



\*Nunavut's unemployment rate is available only as an unadjusted estimate.

- Yukon's unemployment rate fell 1.5 percentage points in July compared to June due to a decrease in unemployment.
- Saskatchewan had the lowest unemployment rate in the country followed by Yukon.

- Canada-wide, following three months of increases, employment was little changed in July. The unemployment rate declined 0.2 percentage points to 7.2%, as fewer people participated in the labour market.
- Canada's unemployment rate has decreased by 0.8 percentage points over the last year as both employment and the labour force increased while unemployment decreased.

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### Other Sources of Labour Market Information:

**Statistics Canada's Daily Release** - a summary of the current Labour Force Survey numbers from across Canada. <http://www.statcan.gc.ca/daily-quotidien/110805/dq110805a-eng.htm>

**Yukon Survey of Employment, Payrolls and Hours** - detailed information on number of paid employees, payrolls, and hours worked. Based on a combination of administrative data from Canada Revenue Agency and results from the Business Payroll Survey. [www.eco.gov.yk.ca/stats/pdf/seph\\_2010.pdf](http://www.eco.gov.yk.ca/stats/pdf/seph_2010.pdf)

**Yukon's 2006 Census Labour Publication** - Broad snapshot

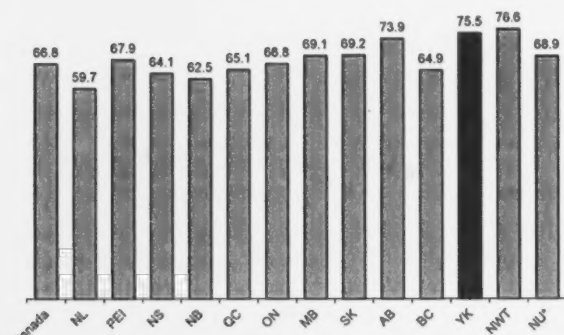
of Yukon in May, 2006. Includes information on Yukon communities, employee occupation and employer industry. [www.eco.gov.yk.ca/stats/pdf/2006\\_labour.pdf](http://www.eco.gov.yk.ca/stats/pdf/2006_labour.pdf)

**Yukon 2010 Business Survey** - Yukon businesses' vacancies (by occupation and industry) and challenges recruiting staff. [www.eco.gov.yk.ca/stats/pdf/2010\\_Business\\_Survey\\_Report.pdf](http://www.eco.gov.yk.ca/stats/pdf/2010_Business_Survey_Report.pdf)

**Yukon Employment Annual Review** - Annual summary of Yukon Labour Force Survey data; includes Aboriginal/Non-aboriginal and Rural/Whitehorse data. [www.eco.gov.yk.ca/stats/pdf/employment\\_2009.pdf](http://www.eco.gov.yk.ca/stats/pdf/employment_2009.pdf)

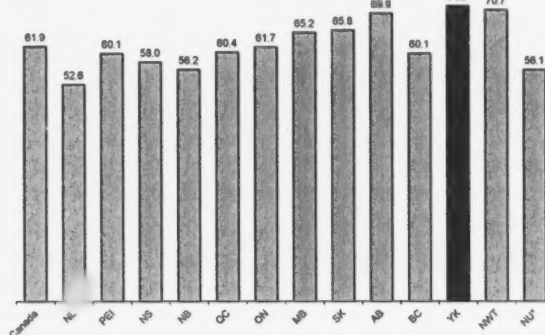
## Comparisons with Canada - Snapshot

Participation Rate, Jul '11



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Employment Rate, Jul '11



The participation rate measures the percent of the population which is working or actively looking for work. Yukon's participation rate in July 2011 was 75.5, second highest in Canada.

Yukon's July employment rate (which measures the percent of the population which is employed), at 71.7%, is the highest in Canada, due to the effects of a combination of a high participation rate and a relatively low number of unemployed.

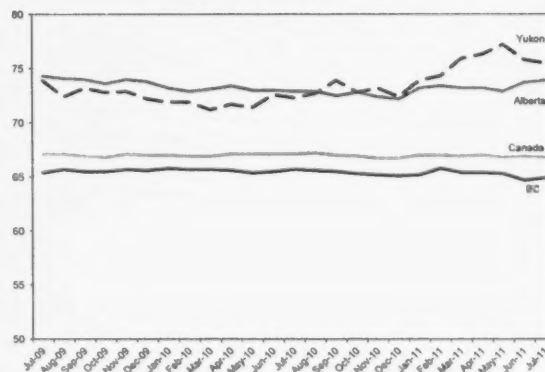
## Comparisons with Canada - Historical

The Labour Force Survey estimates that 75.5% of Yukoners over the age of 15 are employed or are seeking employment. This percentage has risen from 72.3% in July of 2010.

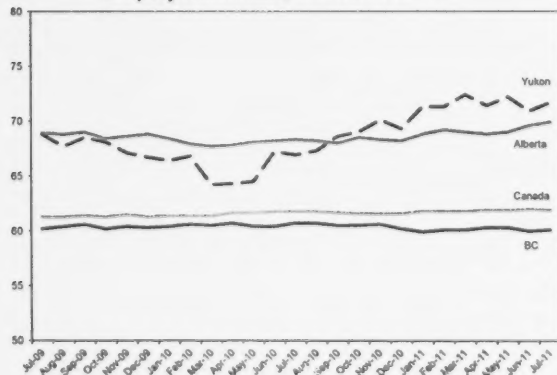
After a steady increase in Yukon's participation rate since December '10, June and July saw a contraction as the number of Yukoners participating in the labour force fell from 77.2% in May to 75.5% in July.

Yukon's labour market in terms of participation rate and employment rate tends to be similar to Alberta's; however, as is often the case with a small population base, our rates show a higher degree of volatility.

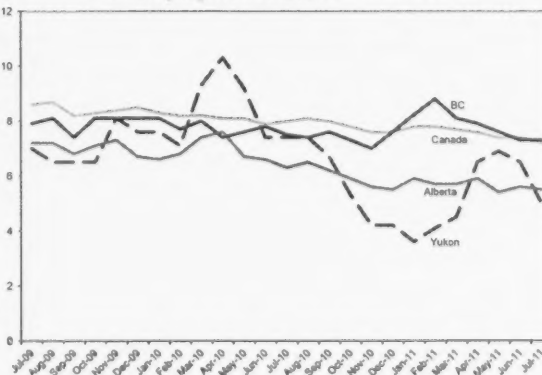
Participation Rate, Jul '09 - Jul '11



Employment Rate, Jul '09 - Jul '11



Unemployment Rate, Jul '09 - Jul '11

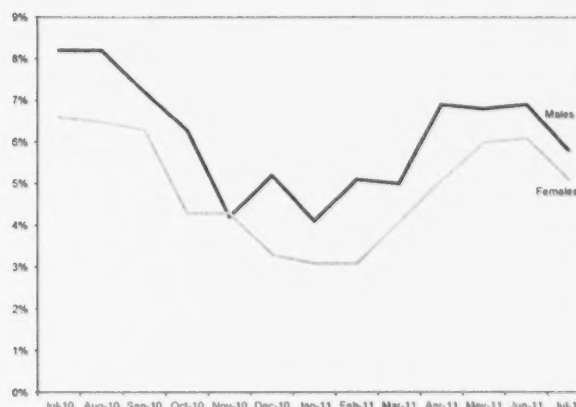


## Seasonally Adjusted Labour Force, age 15+

	Labour Force			Employment			Unemployment		
	Both sexes	Males	Females	Both sexes	Males	Females	Both sexes	Males	Females
Jul-11	20,000	10,300	9,800	19,000	9,700	9,300	1,000	600	500
Jun-11	20,100	10,200	9,900	18,800	9,500	9,300	1,300	700	600
May-11	20,300	10,300	10,000	19,000	9,600	9,400	1,400	700	600
Apr-11	20,000	10,100	9,900	18,700	9,400	9,300	1,300	700	500
Mar-11	19,800	10,100	9,700	18,900	9,600	9,400	900	500	400
Feb-11	19,400	9,800	9,600	18,600	9,300	9,300	800	500	300
Jan-11	19,300	9,800	9,600	18,600	9,300	9,300	700	400	300
Dec-10	18,900	9,700	9,200	18,100	9,200	8,900	800	500	300
Nov-10	19,100	9,600	9,400	18,300	9,200	9,100	800	400	400
Oct-10	19,000	9,600	9,400	18,000	9,000	9,000	1,000	600	400
Sep-10	19,300	9,700	9,600	17,900	9,000	8,900	1,300	700	600
Aug-10	18,900	9,700	9,200	17,500	9,000	8,600	1,400	800	600
Jul-10	18,800	9,700	9,100	17,400	9,000	8,400	1,400	800	600
Jun-10	18,800	9,900	8,900	17,400	9,100	8,300	1,400	800	600
May-10	18,500	9,700	8,700	16,700	8,800	7,900	1,700	900	800
Apr-10	18,500	9,700	8,800	16,600	8,700	7,900	1,900	1,000	900
Mar-10	18,300	9,600	8,700	16,500	8,600	8,000	1,700	1,000	700
Feb-10	18,400	9,600	8,800	17,100	8,700	8,300	1,300	800	500
Jan-10	18,400	9,600	8,700	17,000	8,800	8,200	1,400	900	500
Dec-09	18,400	9,500	8,900	17,000	8,700	8,300	1,400	800	600
Nov-09	18,600	9,600	9,000	17,100	8,700	8,400	1,500	900	600
Oct-09	18,500	9,500	9,000	17,300	8,800	8,500	1,200	700	500
Sep-09	18,600	9,600	9,000	17,400	8,800	8,600	1,200	700	500
Aug-09	18,400	9,500	8,900	17,200	8,800	8,400	1,200	700	500
Jul-09	18,700	9,700	9,000	17,400	8,800	8,600	1,300	900	500

	Unemployment rate		
	Both sexes	Males	Females
Jul-11	5.0	5.8	5.1
Jun-11	6.5	6.9	6.1
May-11	6.9	6.8	6.0
Apr-11	6.5	6.9	5.1
Mar-11	4.5	5.0	4.1
Feb-11	4.1	5.1	3.1
Jan-11	3.6	4.1	3.1
Dec-10	4.2	5.2	3.3
Nov-10	4.2	4.2	4.3
Oct-10	5.3	6.3	4.3
Sep-10	6.7	7.2	6.3
Aug-10	7.4	8.2	6.5
Jul-10	7.4	8.2	6.6
Jun-10	7.4	8.1	6.7
May-10	9.2	9.3	9.2
Apr-10	10.3	10.3	10.2
Mar-10	9.3	10.4	8.0
Feb-10	7.1	8.3	5.7
Jan-10	7.6	9.4	5.7
Dec-09	7.6	8.4	6.7
Nov-09	8.1	9.4	6.7
Oct-09	6.5	7.4	5.6
Sep-09	6.5	7.3	5.6
Aug-09	6.5	7.4	5.6
Jul-09	7.0	9.3	5.6

Unemployment Rate, 15+, Males and Females,  
Jul '10 - Jul '11

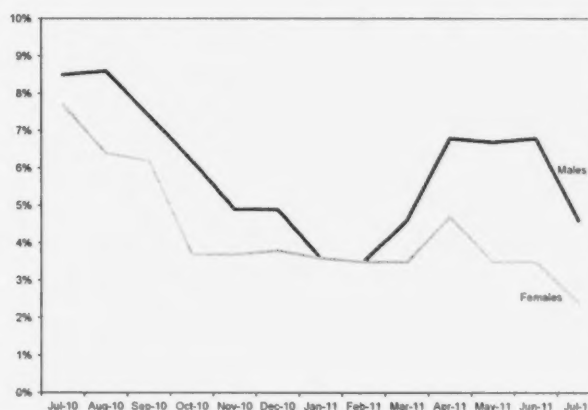


## Seasonally Adjusted Labour Force, age 25+

	Labour Force			Employment			Unemployment		
	Both sexes	Males	Females	Both sexes	Males	Females	Both sexes	Males	Females
Jul-11	17,000	8,700	8,300	16,500	8,400	8,100	500	400	200
Jun-11	17,300	8,800	8,500	16,400	8,200	8,100	900	600	300
May-11	17,400	8,900	8,500	16,500	8,300	8,200	900	600	300
Apr-11	17,300	8,800	8,500	16,300	8,200	8,100	1,000	600	400
Mar-11	17,200	8,700	8,500	16,500	8,300	8,300	600	400	300
Feb-11	16,900	8,500	8,500	16,300	8,100	8,200	600	300	300
Jan-11	16,800	8,400	8,400	16,200	8,100	8,100	600	300	300
Dec-10	16,200	8,200	8,000	15,600	7,900	7,700	600	400	300
Nov-10	16,200	8,200	8,100	15,500	7,800	7,800	700	400	300
Oct-10	16,200	8,100	8,100	15,300	7,600	7,800	800	500	300
Sep-10	16,200	8,100	8,100	15,200	7,600	7,600	1,100	600	500
Aug-10	16,000	8,100	7,800	14,900	7,500	7,400	1,100	700	500
Jul-10	15,900	8,200	7,800	14,700	7,500	7,200	1,200	700	600
Jun-10	15,900	8,200	7,700	14,700	7,500	7,200	1,200	700	500
May-10	15,600	8,100	7,500	14,300	7,400	6,900	1,300	700	600
Apr-10	15,700	8,100	7,500	14,100	7,300	6,800	1,600	900	700
Mar-10	15,500	8,000	7,500	14,100	7,200	6,900	1,400	800	600
Feb-10	15,700	8,000	7,700	14,600	7,300	7,300	1,100	700	400
Jan-10	15,700	8,000	7,700	14,600	7,300	7,300	1,100	700	400
Dec-09	15,700	7,900	7,800	14,700	7,300	7,400	1,000	600	400
Nov-09	15,900	8,000	7,800	14,700	7,400	7,400	1,100	700	500
Oct-09	15,900	8,000	7,800	14,900	7,500	7,400	900	500	400
Sep-09	16,000	8,100	7,900	15,100	7,600	7,500	1,000	500	400
Aug-09	15,900	8,100	7,800	15,100	7,600	7,500	800	500	400
Jul-09	16,100	8,100	7,900	15,200	7,600	7,500	900	500	400

	Unemployment rate		
	Both Sexes	Males	Females
Jul-11	2.9	4.6	2.4
Jun-11	5.2	6.8	3.5
May-11	5.2	6.7	3.5
Apr-11	5.8	6.8	4.7
Mar-11	3.5	4.6	3.5
Feb-11	3.6	3.5	3.5
Jan-11	3.6	3.6	3.6
Dec-10	3.7	4.9	3.8
Nov-10	4.3	4.9	3.7
Oct-10	4.9	6.2	3.7
Sep-10	6.8	7.4	6.2
Aug-10	6.9	8.6	6.4
Jul-10	7.5	8.5	7.7
Jun-10	7.5	8.5	6.5
May-10	8.3	8.6	8.0
Apr-10	10.2	11.1	9.3
Mar-10	9.0	10.0	8.0
Feb-10	7.0	8.8	5.2
Jan-10	7.0	8.8	5.2
Dec-09	6.4	7.6	5.1
Nov-09	6.9	8.8	6.4
Oct-09	5.7	6.3	5.1
Sep-09	6.3	6.2	5.1
Aug-09	5.0	6.2	5.1
Jul-09	5.6	6.2	5.1

Unemployment Rate, 25+, Males and Females,  
Jul '10 - Jul '11



## Labour Force, *Unadjusted* and Annual, 15+

'Seasonally adjusted' refers to the technique of adjusting figures to remove seasonal movements. As such, seasonally adjusted employment figures are widely used and quoted, as they are considered to be a more accurate picture of the current employment situation than unadjusted figures. Some variables, however, are only available on an unadjusted basis. Comparisons between adjusted and unadjusted should not be made. For more information, see [definitions on pg 8](#).

	Labour Force			Employment			Unemployment		
	Both sexes	Males	Females	Both sexes	Males	Females	Both sexes	Males	Females
Jul-11	20,600	10,700	9,900	19,600	10,200	9,400	900	500	500
Jun-11	20,500	10,600	9,900	19,200	9,800	9,300	1,300	700	600
May-11	20,400	10,400	9,900	18,900	9,600	9,300	1,500	900	600
Apr-11	19,800	10,000	9,800	18,300	9,100	9,300	1,500	900	500
Mar-11	19,500	9,800	9,600	18,500	9,200	9,300	1,000	700	400
Feb-11	19,100	9,600	9,500	18,200	9,000	9,200	900	600	300
Jan-11	19,000	9,500	9,500	18,300	9,000	9,200	800	500	300
Dec-10	18,700	9,600	9,200	17,900	9,000	8,900	800	500	300
Nov-10	19,000	9,700	9,400	18,300	9,200	9,000	800	400	400
Oct-10	19,300	9,900	9,400	18,400	9,400	8,900	1,000	500	400
Sep-10	19,900	10,200	9,700	18,600	9,600	9,000	1,300	600	600
Aug-10	19,700	10,300	9,400	18,400	9,600	8,800	1,300	700	600
Jul-10	19,400	10,100	9,200	18,000	9,400	8,600	1,400	700	600
2010	18,900	9,800	9,100	17,500	9,000	8,500	1,300	800	600
2009	18,700	9,600	9,100	17,300	8,700	8,600	1,300	900	500
2008	18,900	9,800	9,100	18,000	9,100	8,900	900	700	300
2007	18,100	9,400	8,800	17,200	8,800	8,400	900	600	300
2006	18,200	9,500	8,700	17,400	9,000	8,400	800	500	200
2005	18,100	9,200	8,800	17,200	8,600	8,600	900	600	300
2004	17,800	8,900	8,900	16,700	8,200	8,500	1,100	700	400
2003	16,900	8,500	8,400	15,200	7,500	7,700	1,700	1,100	600
2002	16,900	8,600	8,300	15,200	7,500	7,800	1,600	1,100	500
2001	16,800	8,600	8,300	14,900	7,300	7,600	1,900	1,300	600

	Unemployment rate			Participation rate			Employment rate		
	Both sexes	Males	Females	Both sexes	Males	Females	Both sexes	Males	Females
Jul-11	4.4	4.7	5.1	77.7	80.5	75.0	74.0	76.7	71.2
Jun-11	6.3	6.6	6.1	77.4	79.7	75.6	72.5	73.7	71.0
May-11	7.4	8.7	6.1	77.6	78.2	75.6	71.9	72.2	71.0
Apr-11	7.6	9.0	5.1	75.6	75.8	75.4	69.8	68.9	71.5
Mar-11	5.1	7.1	4.2	74.7	74.8	73.8	70.9	70.2	71.5
Feb-11	4.7	6.3	3.2	73.2	73.3	73.1	69.7	68.7	70.8
Jan-11	4.2	5.3	3.2	72.8	72.5	73.1	70.1	68.7	70.8
Dec-10	4.3	5.2	3.3	71.6	73.3	70.8	68.6	68.7	68.5
Nov-10	4.2	4.1	4.3	72.8	74.0	72.3	70.1	70.2	69.2
Oct-10	5.2	5.1	4.3	73.9	75.6	72.3	70.5	71.8	68.5
Sep-10	6.5	5.9	6.2	76.2	77.9	74.6	71.3	73.3	69.2
Aug-10	6.6	6.8	6.4	75.8	78.6	72.9	70.8	73.3	68.2
Jul-10	7.2	6.9	6.5	74.6	77.1	71.3	69.2	71.8	66.7
2010	6.9	8.2	6.6	72.7	74.8	70.5	67.3	68.7	65.9
2009	7.0	9.4	5.5	73.9	75.0	72.8	68.4	68.0	68.8
2008	4.8	7.1	3.3	75.9	77.8	74.0	72.3	72.2	72.4
2007	5.0	6.4	3.4	74.2	76.4	73.3	70.5	71.5	70.0
2006	4.4	5.3	2.3	75.8	77.9	73.1	72.5	73.8	70.6
2005	5.0	6.5	3.4	76.4	76.7	75.2	72.6	71.7	73.5
2004	6.2	7.9	4.5	76.7	76.1	77.4	72.0	70.1	73.9
2003	10.1	12.9	7.1	74.4	74.6	74.3	67.0	65.8	68.1
2002	9.5	12.8	6.0	76.5	77.5	75.5	68.8	67.6	70.9
2001	11.3	15.1	7.2	77.1	78.2	76.9	68.3	66.4	70.4

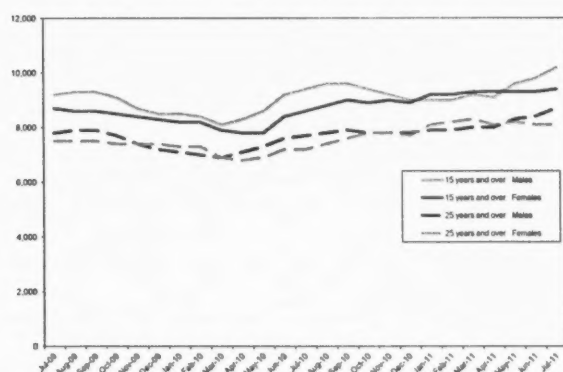


## Labour Force, *Unadjusted*, by Age and Sex, July '11

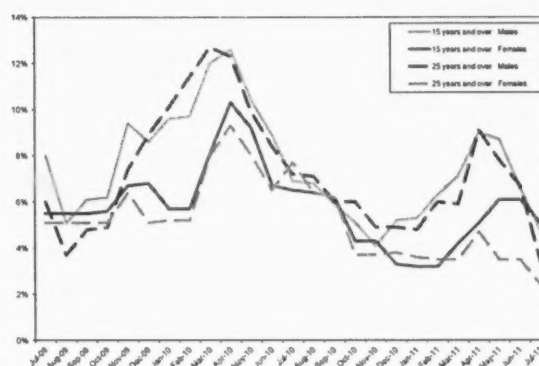
		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	Not in labour force	Unemployment rate	Participation rate	Employment rate
Both Sexes	15 +	20,600	19,600	900	5,900	4.4	77.7	74.0
	15 - 24	3,400	2,900	500	1,000	14.7	77.3	65.9
	25 +	17,200	16,800	400	4,900	2.3	77.8	76.0
	25 - 54	13,300	12,900	400	1,700	3.0	88.7	86.0
	55 +	3,900	3,800	x	3,300	x	54.9	53.5
Males	15 +	10,700	10,200	500	2,600	4.7	80.5	76.7
	15 - 24	1,800	1,600	200	500	11.1	78.3	69.6
	25 +	8,900	8,700	300	2,200	3.4	80.2	78.4
	25 - 54	6,700	6,500	200	600	3.0	91.8	89.0
	55 +	2,200	2,200	x	1,600	x	57.9	57.9
Females	15 +	9,900	9,400	500	3,300	5.1	75.0	71.2
	15 - 24	1,600	1,300	300	500	18.8	76.2	61.9
	25 +	8,300	8,100	200	2,800	2.4	75.5	73.6
	25 - 54	6,600	6,500	200	1,100	3.0	85.7	84.4
	55 +	1,600	1,600	x	1,700	x	47.1	47.1

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Employment by Age and Sex, Jul '09 - Jul '11

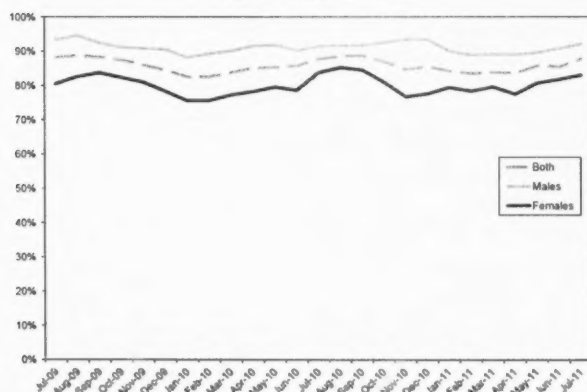


Unemployment Rate by Age and Sex, Jul '09 - Jul '11



## *Unadjusted*, Full-time and Part-time Workers, July '11

Full-time employees as a percentage of all employees, Jul '09 - Jul '11



- The unemployment rate has decreased for males and females in both age groups compared to June.
- 17,200 or 88% of Yukon's workers were full-time in July, a percentage that has seen little fluctuation in the past two years.
- 83% of employed females held full-time employment, while 92% of males did.
- Nationally, 83% of employed Canadians worked full time in July; only NWT and Nunavut had higher percentages of full-time workers than Yukon in July.

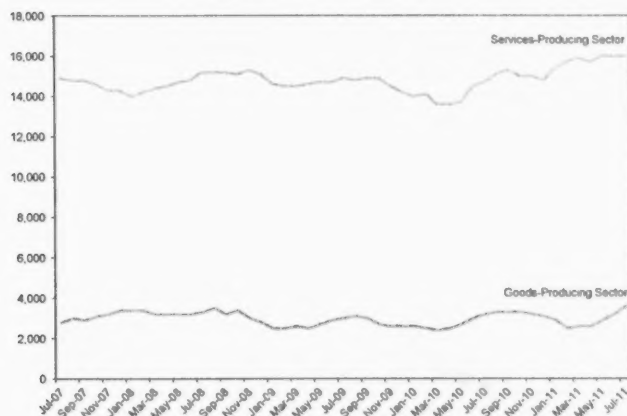
## Labour Force, *Unadjusted*, by Industry, July '11

	Both sexes	Males	Females
Total employed	19,600	10,200	9,400
Goods-producing sector	3,600	3,200	400
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	600	500	x
Construction	2,400	2,200	300
Services-producing sector	16,000	7,100	9,000
Trade	2,400	1,300	1,100
Transportation and warehousing	1,000	700	300
Finance, insurance, real estate & leasing	900	400	400
Professional, scientific and technical services	1,000	600	400
Educational services	1,400	400	1,000
Health care and social assistance	2,400	400	2,000
Information, culture and recreation	1,100	500	600
Accommodation and food services	1,200	400	800
Public administration	3,800	1,800	1,900

x = suppressed for confidentiality

- 16,000, or 82% of Yukoners were employed in service-producing industries in June.
- Two-thirds of Yukoners working in the goods-producing sector had jobs in the construction industry.
- While females accounted for 56% of employees in Yukon's services-producing sector, only 11% of goods-producing sector workers were female.
- Employment in goods-producing industries is up by 13% from last July to a new record high of 3,600; employment in services-producing industries is up by 9%.

### Goods/Services-Producing Sectors, Employment, Jul '07 - Jul '11



#### Goods and services producing sectors

Goods-producing industries are those that are involved in extracting resources directly from the earth (e.g. farming, mining, logging) or processing the resources (e.g. utilities, construction, manufacturing). Yukon's goods-producing industries are primarily construction and mining.

Services-producing industries are involved in the provision of services.

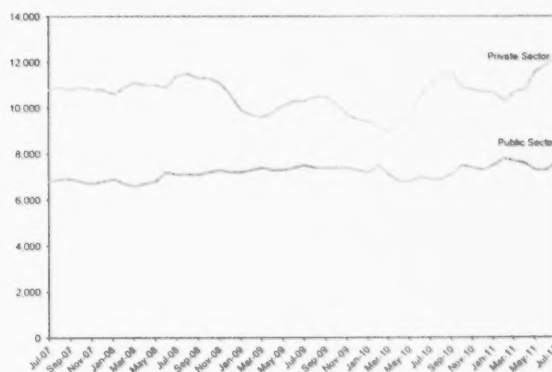
## Public and Private Sectors, *Unadjusted*, July '11

	Both sexes	Males	Females
Total Employed	19,600	10,200	9,400
Public employees	7,600	3,200	4,400
Total private sector	12,100	7,000	5,000
Private employees	9,100	5,100	3,900
Self-employed	3,000	1,900	1,100

Note: 'Public employees' includes federal, territorial, First Nation and municipal employees.

- In July, 39% of working Yukoners were employed by one of the four levels of government in the territory.
- Of the private-sector, 25% were self-employed.
- Public sector employment is up by 10% and private sector by 9% from last July.

### Public/Private Sector Employment, Jul '07 - Jul '11



## Labour Force Survey Definitions

**Employment** — Employed persons are those who, during the reference week, did any work for pay or profit, or had a job and were absent from work.

**Employment rate** — Also referred to as "employment/population ratio," it is the number of employed persons expressed as a percentage of the population aged 15 years and over. The employment rate for a particular group (for example, women aged 25 years and over) is the number employed in that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

**Goods-Producing Industries** — Goods-Producing Industries (or goods sector, or goods industries): includes agriculture, other primary industries (forestry; fishing and trapping; mines, quarries and oil wells), manufacturing, construction and utilities (electric power, gas and water).

**Labour force** — The labour force is the civilian non-institutional population 15 years of age and over who, during the survey reference week, were employed or unemployed.

**Not in the labour force** — Persons not in the labour force are those who, during the reference week, were unavailable or unable to offer or supply labour services under conditions existing in their labour markets; that is, they were neither employed nor unemployed.

**Participation rate** — The participation rate is the total labour force expressed as a percentage of the population aged 15 years and over. The participation rate for a particular group (for example, women aged 25 years and over) is the labour force in that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

**Reference Week** — The reference week is the entire calendar week (from Sunday to Saturday) covered by the Labour Force Survey each month. It is usually the week containing the 15th day of the month. The interviews are conducted during the following week, called the Survey Week, and the labour force status determined is that of the reference week.

**Seasonal adjustment** — Fluctuations in economic time series are caused by seasonal, cyclical and irregular movements. A seasonally adjusted series is one from which seasonal movements have been eliminated. Seasonal

movements are defined as those that are caused by regular annual events such as climate, holidays, vacation periods and cycles related to crops, production and retail sales associated with Christmas and Easter. It should be noted that the seasonally adjusted series contain irregular as well as longer-term cyclical fluctuations.

**Self-employed** — There are two broad categories of workers: those who work for others and those who work for themselves, namely, the self-employed. The self-employed includes working owners of incorporated businesses, working owners of unincorporated businesses and other self-employed.

**Service-Producing Industries** — Service-Producing Industries (or service sector, or service industries): includes trade; transportation and warehousing; finance, insurance, real estate and leasing; professional, scientific and technical services; management, administrative and other support; educational services; health care and social assistance; information, culture and recreation; accommodation and food services; other services; and public administration.

**Three-Month Moving Average** — All monthly figures for the Territories, whether seasonally adjusted or unadjusted, are three-month moving averages — for example, the March 2011 unemployment rate of 4.5% is actually an average of the unemployment rates for the months of January, February and March. April's unemployment rate became the average of the rates for February, March and April. Because they are three-month moving averages, the Territories' figures are not included in the calculation of Canada's numbers.

**Unemployment** — Unemployed persons are those who, during the reference week, were available for work and were either on temporary layoff, had looked for work in the past four weeks, or had a job to start within the next four weeks.

**Unemployment rate** — The unemployment rate is the number of unemployed persons expressed as a percentage of the labour force. The unemployment rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the number unemployed in that group expressed as a percentage of the labour force for that group.

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